# STISets v9.0 DATA STANDARDS

# **Quick Reference Guide**

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The STISets Advisory Group has continued its work over the 2005-06 school year to identify areas for modification to the STISets software. For STISets v9.0, the committee has targeted changes required as a result of the 2004 Re-authorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. While there are numerous minor adjustments which are spelled out in the 9.0 release notes the most impacted area is the LRE status of children with disabilities.

The STISets Advisory Group has made appropriate modifications to this STISets v9.0 Data Standards 2006 document to reflect the changes in the product. This team met regularly this year to review and ensure that concerns of users were addressed in the upcoming release. The team participated in the Beta testing to ensure that all KDE approved modification requests were implemented prior to release.

The team greatly appreciates STI staff for assisting in the early and ongoing review of the Beta releases. The Kentucky Department of Education and the Divisions of Exceptional Children Services and Data Policy Management and Research wish to give a special thanks to this group for making the production of this document possible.

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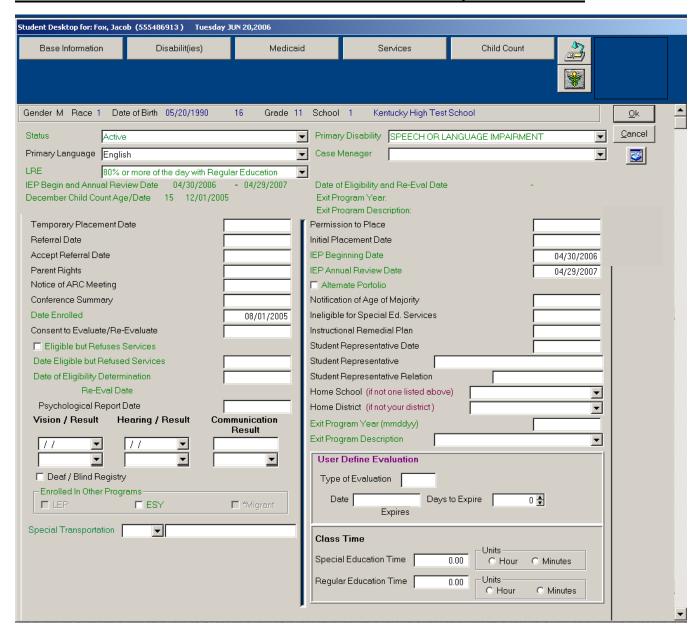
# **Purpose**

The purpose of the *STISets 9.0 Data Standards 2006* document is to give Kentucky schools and districts a set of guidelines for entering data into STISets. This document provides a series of screen shots from the STISets Student Folder and an explanation of each data element or field.

In the STISets program, some of the fields are green and others are black. Those data fields in green are required data that a school must enter for all special education students. Other fields, while not required, are often beneficial and track useful information that schools may need during the student's education. Throughout the document the required fields and data elements are described in Green (gray in black and white copies.) In addition, other fields that are black in the screen shot are *Italicized fuchsia fields* (*italicized gray fields* in black and white copies) that denote current optional fields that are *recommended* to be required in the future.

This document is intended to define and establish a data standard for each of the data fields in STISets and to assist the local school user who enters the data. Use of these data standards will provide increased consistency in the data across schools within districts and across districts throughout the state.

## <u>Definition of Fields in the Base Information Screen in the Special Ed Folder</u>



- Status Required field that defines the student's status within the special education process at a specific school location and assists in the determination as to whether this student will be included in the school's December 1<sup>st</sup> Child Count.
  - Active: Student is actively enrolled in special education.
  - Active/Referred: Student is already enrolled in special education and is being referred for some other reason (e.g., student currently identified as Speech or Language Impaired and in the reevaluation process for another categorical disability area).
  - **Delete:** Student is no longer viewed within the Student Desktop unless you filter for delete status. This status will allow for the removal of the folder including all data and forms when an administrator runs Delete Student utility.
  - **Inactive:** Student no longer receives special education services (e.g., withdrawal, graduation, drop out, exiting from Special Education services).
  - Not Eligible: Student was tested and is not eligible to receive services.
  - **Referred**: Non-special education student is being referred for testing.

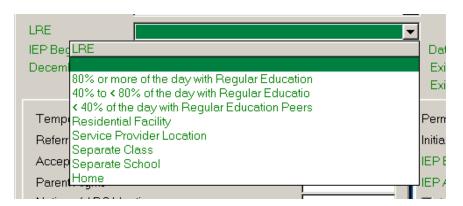
• **Pre-Referral**: Optional status designation to be used when school desires to track nonspecial education student in the intervention process.

The program allows you to choose the additional options listed below. These options will either be deleted or modified in the future versions. Therefore, their use is not recommended.

- Collaborative
- Contracted
- Direct
- Indirect
- Other
- Primary Language Optional field that identifies the language or dialect an individual best
  understands and with which he or she is most comfortable; the system defaults to English.
  This is a required field in STIOffice (Students>Add/Edit Student
  Information>Demographics>"More") and this field in STISets should match the data in
  STIOffice.
- LRE Required field that provides age-appropriate options from a drop down list based on the LRE Age Range.

## For the 3-5 age range:

The new placement options for this age range have changed as follows:



- In the regular early childhood program at least 80% of time. Unduplicated total who attended an early childhood program and were in the early childhood program for at least 80% of time (see Instructions for Calculating Time in Regular Early Childhood Programs).
- o In the regular early childhood program 40% but less than 80% of time. Unduplicated total who attended an early childhood program and were in the early childhood program for 40% or more of the time but less than 80%.
- o **In the regular early childhood program less than 40% of time**. *Unduplicated* total who attended an early childhood program and were in the early childhood program for less than 40% of time.
- o **Residential facility**. *Unduplicated* total who received education programs in publicly or privately operated residential schools or residential medical facilities on an inpatient

basis. (Do not include children who also attended a regular early childhood program. These children should be reported in one of the first three categories above.)

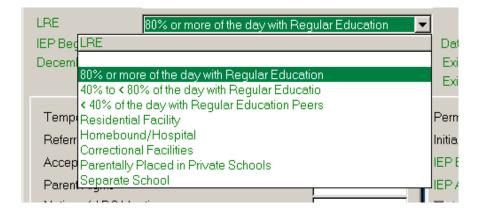
- o **Service provider location**. *Unduplicated* total who received all of their special education and related services from a service provider, and who did not attend an early childhood program or a special education program provided in a separate class, separate school, or residential facility. For example, speech instruction provided in:
  - private clinicians' offices.
  - clinicians' offices located in school buildings,
  - hospital facilities on an outpatient basis, and
  - libraries and other public locations.

Do not include children who also received special education at home. Children who received special education both in a service provider location and at home should be reported in the home category.

- o **Separate class**. *Unduplicated* total who attended a special education program in a class with less than 50% nondisabled children. (Do not include children who also attended a regular early childhood program. These children should be reported in one of the first three categories above.)
- o **Separate school**. *Unduplicated* total who received education programs in public or private day schools designed specifically for children with disabilities. (Do not include children who also attended a regular early childhood program. These children should be reported in one of the first three categories above.)
- O Home. Unduplicated total who received special education and related services in the principle residence of the child's family or caregivers, and who did not attend an early childhood program or a special education program provided in a separate class, separate school, or residential facility. Include children who receive special education both at home and in a service provider location.

## For the 6-21 age range:

The new placement options for this age range have changed as follows:



<u>Note For the age range 6 - 21:</u> To calculate the percentage of time outside the regular classroom, divide the number of minutes the youth receives special education and related services outside the regular classroom by the *total number of minutes in the school day.* 

- o **Inside the regular class 80 percent or more of the day**. *Unduplicated* total who were inside the regular classroom for 80 percent or more of the school day. (These are children who received special education and related services outside the regular classroom for less than 21 percent of the school day.) This may include children with disabilities placed in:
  - regular class with special education/related services provided within regular classes;
  - regular class with special education/related services provided outside regular classes; or
  - regular class with special education services provided in resource rooms.
- o **Inside regular class 40% of day or more but less than 80% percent of the day**. *Unduplicated* total who were inside the regular classroom from 40% up to 79% of the day. (These are children who received special education and related services outside the regular classroom for at least 21 percent but no more than 60 percent of the school day.) Do not include children who are reported as receiving education programs in public or private separate school or residential facilities. This may include children placed in:
  - resource rooms with special education/related services provided within the resource room: or
  - resource rooms with part-time instruction in a regular class.
- Inside regular class less than 40 percent of the day. Unduplicated total who were inside the regular classroom less than 40 percent of the day. (These are children who received special education and related services outside the regular classroom for more than 60 percent of the school day.) Do not include children who are reported as receiving education programs in public or private separate school or residential facilities. This category may include children placed in:
  - self-contained special classrooms with part-time instruction in a regular class; or
  - self-contained special classrooms with full-time special education instruction on a regular school campus.
- o **Separate school**. *Unduplicated* total who received education programs in public or private separate day school facilities. This includes children with disabilities receiving special education and related services for greater than 50 percent of the school day in public or private separate schools. This may include children placed in:
  - public and private day schools for students with disabilities;
  - public and private day schools for students with disabilities for a portion of the school day (greater than 50 percent) and in regular school buildings for the remainder of the school day; or
  - public and private residential facilities if the student does not live at the facility.
- Residential facility. Unduplicated total who received education programs and lived in public or private residential facilities during the school week. This includes children with disabilities receiving special education and related services for greater than 50 percent

of the school day in public or private residential facilities. This may include children placed in:

- public and private residential schools for students with disabilities; or
- public and private residential schools for students with disabilities for a portion of the school day (greater than 50 percent) and in separate day schools or regular school buildings for the remainder of the school day.

Do not include students who received education programs at the facility, but do not live there.

- o **Homebound/Hospital**. *Unduplicated* total who received education programs in homebound/hospital environment includes children with disabilities placed in and receiving special education and related services in:
  - hospital programs, or
  - homebound programs.

Do not include children with disabilities whose parents have opted to home-school them and who receive special education at the public expense.

- o Correctional facilities. Unduplicated total who received special education in correctional facilities. These data are intended to be a count of all children receiving special education in:
  - short-term detention facilities (community-based or residential), or
  - correctional facilities.
- o **Parentally Placed in Private Schools**. Unduplicated total who have been enrolled by their parents or guardians in regular parochial or other private schools and whose basic education is paid through private resources and who receive special education and related services at public expense from a local educational agency or intermediate educational unit under a service plan. Include children whose parents chose to homeschool them, but who receive special education and related services at the public expense. Do not include children who are placed in private schools by the LEA.
- Primary Disability Required field with a drop-down list to select the appropriate category
  of disability. The primary disability must be manually selected and does not auto-populate
  from the eligibility forms.
- Case Manager Required field for selecting the teacher responsible for maintaining the student's special education record.
- **Temporary Placement Date** Optional field to track special education students receiving temporary services. This includes transfer students from out-of-state or out-of-district. Enter the date that the student began receiving temporary services within a school.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A private institution or school is a school NOT under Federal, State or public supervision or control and may be non-profit or proprietary.

- Referral Date Optional field to enter date that a referral is submitted to the ARC chairperson. Referral date auto-populates when the Referral form is marked as a completed document.
- Accept Referral Date Optional field to enter date that a referral is accepted.
- Parent Rights Optional field to enter date that parents were explained their rights. This
  field auto-populates if the Parent Rights form is marked as a completed document.
- Notice of ARC Meeting Optional field to enter date of most recent Notice of ARC
  Meeting. This field auto-populates when the Notice of ARC Meeting form is marked as a
  completed document.
- Conference Summary Optional field to enter date of most recent Conference Summary.
   This field auto-populates when the Conference Summary form is marked as a completed document.
- Date Enrolled Required field. This is the date the student began receiving special
  education services for the first time in the district which may or may not be the date the
  student enrolled in the district. This is a required field for the December 1 Child Count and
  does not auto-populate but must be entered manually through the Special Education
  Folder on the Student Desktop.
- Consent to Evaluate/Re-evaluate Optional field to enter date that parent signs consent for student to receive initial evaluation or a reevaluation. This field auto-populates when the Consent Evaluate/Reevaluate form is marked as a completed document.
- Eligible but Refuses Services Required check box if applicable to indicate a parent(s) has declined special education services.
- Date Eligible but Refused Services Required field if applicable to enter date parent(s) declined special education services.
- Date of Eligibility Determination Required field to enter the last date that eligibility for services was determined by the ARC. This date changes at least every three years. This field auto-populates when the Eligibility form is marked as a completed document.

Note: If the ARC determined that the student was <u>not</u> eligible for services, make sure the Status is marked *Not Eligible*.

- Re-Eval Date Date that the student's reevaluation is due. This date auto-calculates
  when the user tabs out of the Date of Eligibility Determination field.
- Psychological Report Date Optional field to enter date of last psychological report.

Note: The Expiration date of the Psychological Report has been deleted in STISets v9.0.

- **Vision and Hearing Results** Optional fields that provide lists of dates and results from STIHealth.
- Communication Results Optional field to document communication screening results.
- Deaf/Blind Registry Optional check box to indicate the student is on the Deaf/Blind Registry.

- Enrolled in Other Programs Required field to identify students participating in ESY during the previous summer. The check boxes for LEP and Migrant auto-populates from the corresponding fields in STIOffice.
- Special Transportation Required field with drop down box that defaults to No. This field
  will auto-populate when an IEP is made a completed document in 9.0 if the related service
  section lists transportation as a related service. The field will also auto-populate when the
  special transportation is indicated under the service tab in the student folder. If special
  transportation services end prior to the expiration of the IEP, this field must be manually
  changed to "No".
- Type Transportation: (New Field) Optional field to enter the type of special transportation need (e.g., with lift/without lift). This field will auto-populate when an IEP is made a completed document in 9.0 if the related service section lists transportation as a related service. The field will also auto-populate when the special transportation is indicated under the service tab in the student folder. If special transportation services end prior to the expiration of the IEP, this data must be manually removed.

STIOffice Information – This information appears directly below **Type Transportation** and auto-populates from STIOffice.

- Permission to Place Optional field to enter the date parent signed permission to place.
- **Initial Placement Date** Optional field to enter date that the student initially began receiving special education services.
- **IEP Beginning Date** Required field to enter the beginning date from the current IEP. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document.
- IEP Annual Review Date Required field to enter the date for the next Annual Review. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document.
- Alternate Portfolio Required field (check box) to indicate the ARC determined the student would be taking the alternate portfolio assessment. If applicable, this check box auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document.
- Notification of Age of Majority Optional field to enter date that student and parent(s) are notified that rights transfer to student at age of majority (18 years).
- Ineligible for Special Ed Services and Instructional Remedial Plan Optional fields to enter dates.

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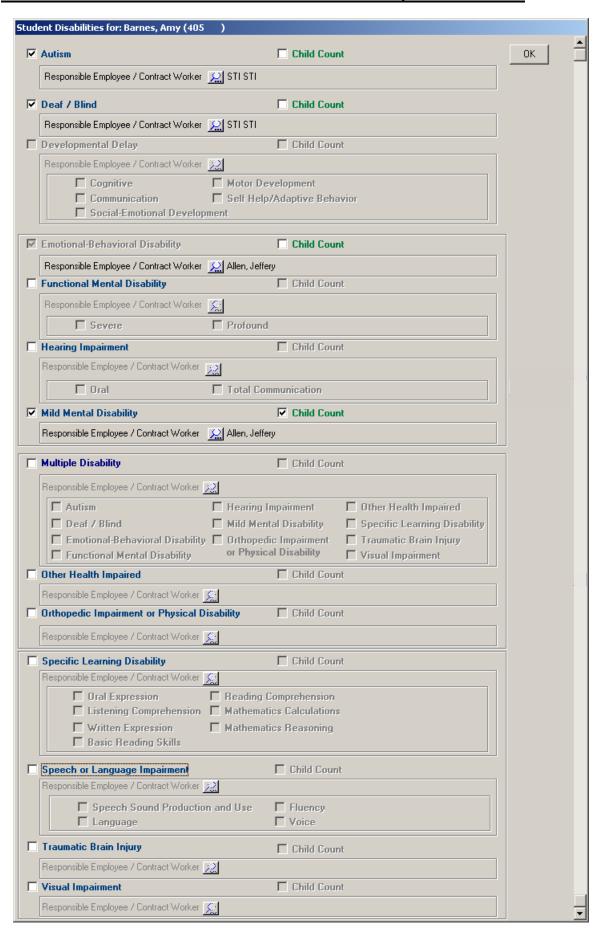
- **Student Representative Date** Optional field to enter date that ARC Chairperson determines the educational representative of the student.
- **Student Representative** Optional field to enter the name of the student's educational representative.
- **Student Representative Relation** Optional field to enter the relationship of the educational representative to the student.
- **Home School/Home District** Optional fields with drop down boxes to select data when the student is attending a school or district other than their school or district of residence.

- Exit Program Year Required field to enter the month, day, and year in which the student was released from special education services.
- Exit Program Description Required field to document the reason the student no longer receives Special Education and Related Services. Options are available from a drop-down menu. When entered, this information will be displayed at the top of the Base Information screen in the student's Special Education Folder.

Note: This field will only be used to indicate those students who have been released from special education (No Longer Receives Special Ed or Maximum Age). (District Administrators: The End of the Year Exit Report will utilize withdrawals from STIOffice and the Exit Program Description contained in STISets.)

• Early Intervention – (New field) This checkbox is auto-checked if the student has received any early intervening services during the previous two school years (based on the last date of service reported in STIOffice). If the last date of service did not occur during the previous two school years, the indicator is not checked. While this program will allow the user to check the box, we recommend that users not enter data on the student desktop.

# Definition of Fields in the Disabilities Screen in the Special Ed Folder



The previous screen tracks information regarding primary and/or secondary disabilities. Users also track areas of eligibility within certain disabilities (i.e., Developmental Delay, Functional Mental Disability, Hearing Impaired, Multiple Disabilities, Specific Learning Disability, Speech or Language Impairment).

 Categorical Labels – Required field automatically checked for the primary disability entered on the Base Information Screen. The user must also indicate any additional category of disability for which the ARC determined the student meets eligibility.

Note: When an eligibility form indicates that the student meets eligibility criteria and the form is marked as a completed document, the information will auto-populate to the appropriate disability on the Disabilities screen only in the student's Special Education Folder. It will <u>NOT</u> auto-populate the Primary Disability on the Base Information screen or mark the Child Count box on the Disabilities screen. The subcategories will also auto-populate from the eligibility form.

However, any information that is contained within the other disability areas will remain on the Disabilities screen until the user manually revises this information.

 Child Count – Required field automatically checked when the user answers YES to the following question after selecting the primary disability.



If the user answers NO, the user must go to the Disabilities screen and select the category of disability for Child Count. Under normal usage, the only time a user will select NO is when a private school student is receiving partial day services and does not receive any services under their primary category (for example, an SLD student is receiving only speech services as a partial day student).

Note: Partial day services are provided to a student who is enrolled in multiple schools including private and public schools.

- Responsible Employee/Contract Worker Optional field for assigning responsible service provider(s) on the Disabilities screen, which allows the provider access to the student's folder. If the Case Manager field is entered on the Base Information Screen, it will automatically populate this field for the Primary Disability.
- Categories that track areas of eligibility within the disability Required field for students identified as Multiple Disabilities, Speech or Language Impairment, Developmental Delay, or Specific Learning Disability.

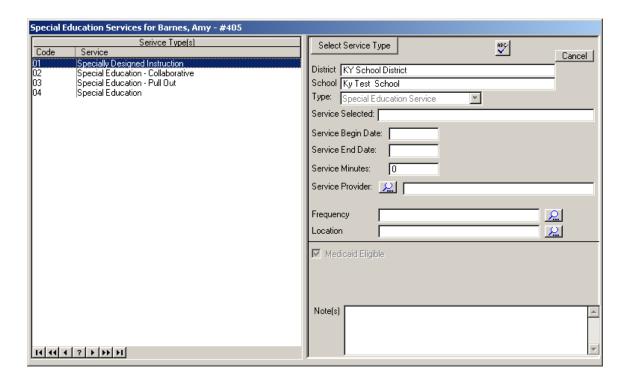


Optional field to track areas of eligibility for students identified as Hearing Impaired or Functional Mental Disability.



## <u>Definition of Fields in the Services Screen in the Special Ed Folder</u>

## **Special Education Services Window**



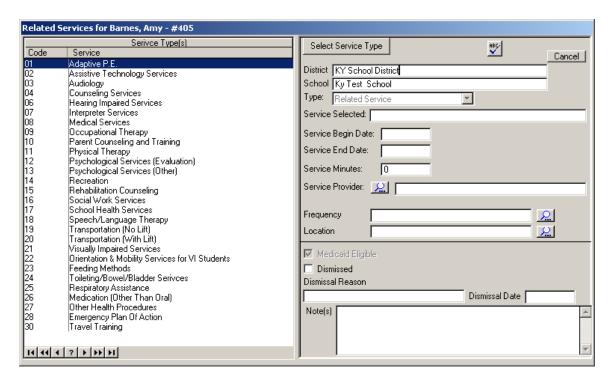
**Note<sup>1</sup>:** Data entered into this screen, does not write back to the IEP form. However, data from the IEP form auto-populates the fields on this screen

**Note<sup>2</sup>:** Districts who are not using the forms within STISets should complete the Special Education Services fields outlined below. These fields may become required fields in the future to ensure accurate collection of data at the district and state levels.

- Type Within the Services screen, this field defaults to Special Education Services and cannot be changed.
- Service Selected Optional field to indicate the type of special education services
  provided (e.g., Special Education Collaboration, Special Education Pull-Out). This field
  auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information
  can also be entered manually selecting the service type.
- Service Begin Date Optional field to indicate beginning date of the service from the current IEP. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually.
- Service End Date Optional field to indicate the service ending date of the service from the current IEP. This field auto-calculates one year minus one day from the Service Begin Date.
- Service Minutes Optional field to indicate number of minutes the student will receive the special education service. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually.

- Service Provider Optional field to select or enter the individual who will be providing the special education service. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document if the Special Educator field is completed within the IEP. This information can also be entered manually or by selecting from a pick list.
- Service Frequency Optional field to indicate frequency the special education service will be provided (e.g., daily, weekly). This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually or by selecting from a pick list.
- Service Location Optional field to indicate where the service will be provided (e.g., Regular Education Class, Resource Class, Special Class, Special School, Home Instruction, Hospital Instruction, Transportation Vehicle, Other, [Special Ed Classroom/Resource will remain because it may be associated with previous records]). This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually through the ellipses button and then selecting from a pick list. When selecting the option "Other" the user must manually specify what other means.
- Medicaid Eligible Optional field auto-populates from the Medicaid Screen in the student's Special Education folder for new records.

#### **Related Services Window**



**Note**<sup>1</sup>: Data entered into this screen does not write back to the IEP form. However, data from the IEP form auto-populates the fields on this screen

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- **Type** Within the related services screen, this field defaults to Related Service and cannot be changed.
- Service Selected Optional field to indicate the type of related service provided (e.g., Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy). This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered by manually selecting the related service type.
- Service Begin Date Optional field to indicate beginning date of the related service from the current IEP. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually.
- Service End Date Optional field to indicate the ending date of the related service from the current IEP. This field auto-calculates one year minus one day from the Service Begin Date.
- Service Minutes Optional field to indicate number of minutes the student will receive the
  related service. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed
  document. This information can also be entered manually.
- **Service Provider** Optional field to select or enter the individual who will be providing the related service. This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed

- document if the Related Service Provider field is completed within the IEP. This information can also be entered manually or by selecting from a pick list.
- Service Frequency Optional field to indicate frequency the related service will be provided (e.g., daily and weekly). This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually or by selecting from a pick list.
- Service Location Optional field to indicate where the service will be provided (e.g., Regular Education Class, Resource Class, Special Class, Special School, Home Instruction, Hospital Instruction, Transportation Vehicle, Other, [Special Ed Classroom/Resource will remain because it may be associated with previous records]). This field auto-populates when the IEP form is marked as a completed document. This information can also be entered manually through the ellipses button and then selecting from a pick list. When selecting the option "Other" the user must manually specify what other means.
- **Medicaid Eligible** Optional field auto-populates from the Medicaid screen in the student's Special Education Folder for new records.
- Dismissed Optional field to indicate the ARC determined that the student no longer requires the related service. Although this is an optional field, users are strongly encouraged to use this field if they are also completing the other fields within this screen.
- **Dismissal Reason** Optional field to indicate the reason the ARC dismissed the student from the related service.
- Dismissal Date Optional field to indicate the date the ARC determined that the student no longer requires the related service. This field should reflect the ending date for the related services as determined by the ARC's decision.